

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Acting Chairman;  
Tony Hammond, Vice Chairman;  
Mark Acton; and  
Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices  
Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 11  
(MC2013-1)  
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2013-1

ORDER GRANTING SECOND MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued December 14, 2015)

I. INTRODUCTION

The negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Existing Agreement) is set to expire December 18, 2015.<sup>1</sup> On December 11, 2015, the Postal Service filed a motion for temporary relief seeking to extend the expiration date of the Existing Agreement by 30 additional days.<sup>2</sup>

The Postal Service states that technical difficulties delayed the transmittal of data necessary for the Postal Service to formulate its pricing proposal. Motion at 1. While

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<sup>1</sup> See Docket Nos. MC2013-1 and CP2013-1, Order No. 1509, Order Adding Express Mail & Priority Mail Contract 11 to the Competitive Product List, October 22, 2012, at 5 (noting that the Existing Agreement was to expire 3 years after the date the Commission issued all necessary approvals); see also Docket No. CP2013-1, Order No. 2768, Order Granting Motion for Temporary Relief, October 19, 2015, at 2 (extending the expiration date of the Existing Agreement to December 18, 2015).

<sup>2</sup> Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, December 11, 2015 (Motion).

the customer was able to resolve the technical issues, the Postal Service did not receive the necessary information in time for the parties to sign a new contract more than 15 days prior to the December 18, 2015, expiration date. *Id.* The Postal Service states that it has submitted a final contract to the customer for signature and expects the signed contract back shortly. *Id.* The Postal Service requests the Commission approve a brief extension to allow the Existing Agreement to remain in effect and on the Mail Classification Schedule for an additional 30 days. *Id.* at 2.

The Motion is granted. The Existing Agreement is modified to continue through January 17, 2016, or until a successor agreement is approved by the Commission, whichever occurs first. Temporary relief is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person.

*It is ordered:*

1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed December 11, 2015, is granted.
2. The Existing Agreement will expire on January 17, 2016, or until a successor agreement is approved by the Commission, whichever occurs first.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble  
Secretary